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THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship SATARA, 1,237 Tons, 250 H.P., Commander J. J. Ballantine, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 6th June 1871, at noon.

June		June
Leave BOMBAY 6	Leave Madras	19
" Carwar 8	" Coconada	21
" Naraakal 10	" Vizagapatam	22
" Allepey 11	" Bimlipatam	23
" Tuticorin 12	" Gopaulpore	23
" Colombo 14	" Palmyras Point	24
" Galle 14	Arrive CALCUTTA	25
" Negapatam 17		

During the S. W. Monsoon, viz., from the beginning of June to end of August, the Steamers do not communicate with the ports of Mangalore, Cannanore, Calicut and Cochin, but passengers for the Neilgherries may be landed at Narrakal, six miles north of Cochin, from whence they may proceed by back water to stations on the Madras Railway.

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W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

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The Steam Ship INDIA, 1,010 tons, 200 H.P., Commander R. D. Turner, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 10th June, at noon.

June.		June
Leave BOMBAY..... 10	Leave BUSSORAH	30
" Kurrachee 14	" Mahomerah	30
" Guadur..... 15	" Fao	30
		July.
" Muscat..... 17	" Bushire	1
" Bunder Abbas 19	" Linga	6
" Linga 21	" Bunder Abbas	7
" Bushire 23	" Muscat.....	9
" Fao 25	" Guadur	11
" Mahomerah 25	" Kurrachee	14
Arrive BUSSORAH..... 26	Arrive BOMBAY	18

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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, despatch a steamer to Kurrachee every SATURDAY, at noon.

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To Aden	£22	£15	£4
Suez	36	22	8
Port Said.....	38	24	9
Alexandria.....	39	25	9-10
Messina	42	32	12
Naples	47	35	13
Leghorn	50	38	14
Genoa	50	38	14
Marseilles with transhipment at Genoa	52	35	14-10

Including Wines at Table. Without Food.

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Particulars and price lists to be had on application.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Tuesday, the 6th June, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. BARODA (1,873 tons, and 450 H.P.), Captain W. B. Hall, will LEAVE for SUEZ as above, carrying H.M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Brindisi, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Odessa, Genoa, Naples, and Havre, Liverpool or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

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The Rates of Passage Money have been reduced as follows:—
To BRINDISI.....First Class Rs. 300 Second Class Rs. 200
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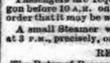

THE P. and O. Co.'s s. s. BEAR, (1,723 tons, and 300 H.P.), Captain W. Baker, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 7th June, leaving Mazagon at noon on that day, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's office before 11 A.M. on Tuesday, the 6th proximo.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE & COMPANY.

VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY for Sale by Public Auction, by order of the Mortgagee, Mr. Bhowanyshanker Runeor, and on account and at the risk of the Mortgagor, Sadanund Gunput Bhundaree.

On SATURDAY, the 3rd June, at 4 o'clock P.M., Messrs. Menesse and Co will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, all that piece or parcel of land or ground, or cart, containing 4 Wheels, and called or known by the name of Massick, with the messuage, tenement, or dwelling-houses, wells and trees standing in from, situate and being in the Mahim Wood, in the Island of Bombay, assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 565, and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the east by the public road leading from the Mahim Wood to Ramdoss, on or towards the west by private passage or gully, towards the north partly by passage and gully and partly by the cart of Mottechund Harrichund, and on or towards the south by the cart of Rustomjee Manockjee.

The original title-deed and plan of the Massick Cart, with the conditions of sale and agreement, are to be seen at the undersigned.

Hummum Street, 1st June 1871. MENESSE & Co.

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On SATURDAY, the 3rd instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a large quantity of Grey and Coloured Piece Goods, &c., &c.

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AUCTION SALE of valuable and richly open Carved Blackwood Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, &c., at No. 283, Middle Colaba.

THIS DAY THURSDAY, the 1st inst., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at his residence, at the above-mentioned place, the valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass, and Porcelainware, &c., the property of D. Preston, Esq., the same comprises rich Cut Glassware, Handsome Fink and Gold Dinner and Breakfast Services, Best Flatedware, such as a set of 4 Dish Covers 4 Vegetable Dishes, Cruet and Pickle Stands, Tea Set, handsome Soup Tureen, a set of Spoons and Forks, Cutlery, &c., richly carved Blackwood Furniture, such as a Camp Table in 3 pieces, Sideboard, Circular and Pier Tables, Easy, Rocking and Drawing Room Chairs, full backed Sofas, a Lady's Devonport, Pirate Engravings in rosewood and gilt frames, Chiffonier, Teapoys, Horned Hatstand, Camp Cots, Dressing and Washing Tables, Toilet Glasses, Clothes and Gown Presses, Child's Cot and Cradle, Towel Horses, Dispense Articles, Cooking Utensils, &c., &c.

No Catalogues, and the property is now on view.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTIES.

On MONDAY, the 12th instant, at 4 P. M., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, on the premises, by order of Thacker Kessovjee Jadowjee, Esq., the Mortgagee, and on account and risk of Vussajee Hurrydass, Luckmidass Hurridass, and Javerbaye, widow of Thacker Hurridass Premjee, deceased, the Mortgagors, the following valuable landed properties:—

All that piece or parcel of land or ground, containing 374 square yards, or thereabouts, together with the Messuage, Tenement, or dwelling house, and other buildings standing thereon, situate in and on the East side of Bazar Gate Street, within the Fort of the Island of Bombay, and bounded on the East by the House of Purbhoodass Juggevundass and Parpia Purdhan, on the West by the Bazar Gate Street aforesaid on the North by the house now or lately belonging to Raghoonath Juggeevundass, and on the South by the house lately belonging to Sha Purmanundass Lalloobhoy, but now to Elijee Sewjee, which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Bombay under No 675, and by the Collector of Assessment formerly under No. 85, but now under No. 86, and which were lately in the occupation of Rowjee Ananjee, Damodhur Thackersey and others, and are now occupied by Vulloo Dhunjee, Dyal Dewcurrum and others.

On TUESDAY, the 13th instant, at 4 P.M., all that piece or parcel of land or ground, containing 154 square yards or thereabouts, together with the messuage or dwelling-house and other buildings standing thereon, situate in and on the west side of Bazaar Gate Street aforesaid, within the sub-district of the Fort, in Island of Bombay, and bounded on the east by Bazaar Gate Street aforesaid, on the west by the public road called Bora Bazar Street, on the north by the house of Sha Govurdhun Cullianjee, and on the south by the house formerly belonging to Ramdass Jaidass but now to Ragoo Lucka, and which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Bombay under Nos. 723 and 974, and by the Collector of Assessment under Nos. 53 and 70, and were lately in the occupation of Gopall Sewjee and others, and are now occupied by Dewchund Nanjee, Hurridass Cullianjee and others.

On WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant, at 3 P.M., all that piece or parcel of land or ground containing 293 square yards or thereabouts, together with the messuage, or dwelling-house and buildings standing thereon, situate at and on the south side of Mandvi Road, in the sub-district of Mandvi, in the Island of Bombay, and bounded on the east by Government vacant ground, on the west by the public road, on the north by the public road leading to Mandvi Bunder, and on the south by the house now or formerly of Pragjee Luckmidass, and which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Bombay under Nos. 242 and 985, and by the Collector of Assessment formerly under No. 282 but now under No 288, and were formerly in the occupation of Ruttonsey Goculdas and others, and are now occupied by Coverjee Odoojee, Curroumchund Mathowjee.

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Striped Cambric, suits...	...	6 8	7 8

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Striped Cambric	each...	3	0	3 8
	all ...	15	0	19 0
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	six...	18	8	22 0
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Wove Flannel	each...	8	0	9 0
Silk and Wool	each...	8	8	9 8
Spun Silk...	each...	11	0	12 12

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

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Number of Shares.	Nomi. value per each.	Paid up.	Last divi-dend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	p. a.			
200,000	100	all	4 p.ct.	Agra Bank	100
22,000	1,000	all	5 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,400 nl.
10,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	Ditto of Bombay New	623½
10,000	500	100	5 do.	Ditto 2nd Res. Issue	190
5,250	1,000	full	7 p.ct.	Ditto of Madras	1,380
80,000	200	all	4 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of I. L. & China	250 pr
43,000	275	all	10 p.ct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	360 nl.
[40,000	200	all	nil	Chartered Bk. of I. & C.	150
37,500	250	125	nil	National Bank of India	104
10,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	500

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs 70	Colaba Land Co.	1,700
8,000	100	all		Frere Land & Pier Co. Ld	162
750	2,000	2,000	Nil	Mazagon Land	965
4,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	Port Canning	360

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

...	£20	218.3.0	p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	245
...	£20	109.15	do.	Do. New £20 shares	126
...	£20	13.10.2	do.	Do.	...
...	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,100
...	£15	195.5.3	do.	Do. New Shares	208

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	50	Albert Mills Co	1,625
500	2,500	all	200*	Alliance Spinning	2,760
100	5,500	all	...	Bombay	3,600
930	1,000	all	45*	Bombay United	985
1600	150	150	...	Branch Mills	300
750	2,000	all	300	Dharamsey Spinning	2,850
750	2,000	all	75 p.a.	Great Eastern	2,170
2,000	1,000	all	140 p.a.	Manockji Petit's	1,130
900	1,000	all	250 p.a.	Oriental	2,765
600	2,000	2,400	...	Royal	2,350

*Per share for the half-year.

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	5,000	2,850	225 p.a.	Akbar Cotton Press Co.	2,150
200	1,000	1,100	75 p.c.	Albert Co. Kurrachee	1,070
250	3,200	850	Nil.	Alexandra Press Co.	445
150	12,000	14,000	2,300 p.a.	Apollo Press Co.	7,400
200	2,000	11	2350 p.a.	Bombay Press Co.	2,425
200	500	all	200 p.a.	Do. New	600
500	1,880	all	Nil.	Colaba Press Co.	5,000
150	2,000	all	...	East India Press Co.	3,500
150	5,500	all	300	Fort Press Co.	10,700
300	2,000	1,800	...	Framji Cowasji Press	1,050
200	4,000	6,000	Nil.	Hydraulic Press Co.	2,500
200	5,000	4,000	75 p.a.	Imperial Press Co.	4,175
300	5,000	2,000	100 p.a.	Kurrachee Press Co.	1,200
2,000	400	250	35 p.a.	Mofus. Press & G. Co.	510
128	2,500	all	200	Prince of Wales Press	2,450
225	2,000	1,00	Nil.	Victoria Press, Madras.	925
150	2,000	all	Nil.	Tinnevelly Press Co.	1,000
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—	2,500	1,500	75 p.c.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	800
1,000	50	all	5 p.c.	Mechanics B'ld'gs Co	34
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3,000	250	all	5 p.a.	Vegas Patent Slip Co.	100

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500	85 Jan. '66	Bank of Bombay	20
95	19	Do. China	1
250	3 Mar. '66	Central Bank	1
...	...	East India Bank	1
200	13 Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula	1
200	76 May '	Royal Bank	2

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—MAY 31.

Butler, Captain, 76th Regiment, on private affairs, from Secunderabad.

Payne, Captain, 15th Regiment N. I., on private affairs, from Surat.

PRESIDENCY PAY-OFFICE NOTICE.

Bombay, 31st May 1871.

It is hereby notified that pay and allowances in arrears for May 1871 will be issued to the troops, &c., on the undermentioned days, from 10 A.M. till 3 P.M. except on Saturdays, when payments will be closed at 1 P.M., and no moneys will be received after that hour, and that all abstracts should be sent to the Pay Office for examination two clear days before payment:—

On Thursday and Friday, the 1st and 2nd, General and Garrison Staff.

On Saturday, the 3rd, Officers on duty at the Presidency.

On Tuesday, the 6th, H. M.'s 21st Regiment N. I.(or M.B.)

On Thursday, the 8th, H. M.'s 19th Regiment N. I.

On Monday, the 12th, Gun Carriage Department.

On Thursday, the 15th, Colaba Sanitarium.

On Monday, the 19th, Ordnance Department.

On Tuesday, the 20th, Roman Catholic Orphanage.

On Thursday, the 22nd, Byculla Schools.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ORDERS.

(*Gazette of India*, May 27.)

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Assistant Surgeon G. King, M.B., of the Bengal Medical Establishment, has been appointed by Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India to be Superintendent of the Royal Botanic Garden at Calcutta, vice Dr. T. Anderson, deceased.

The services of Mr. C. E. Bernard, Bengal Civil Service, Commissioner of the Nagpore Division, in the Central Provinces, are placed at the disposal of the Government of Bengal as a temporary measure.

The services of Sir G. E. W. Couper, Bart., C.B., Judicial Commissioner in Oudh, are placed at the disposal of the Foreign Department.

Consequent on the departure on leave of absence to Europe of Captain C. A. Munro, Superintendent of Police, 2nd (officiating 1st) Grade, British Burmah, the following temporary promotions are made in the Police Department of that Province with effect from the 19th March 1871, viz.—

Captain T. Lowndes, Superintendent of Police, 3rd (officiating 2nd) Grade, to officiate as Superintendent, 1st Grade.

Captain R. Houghton, Superintendent of Police, 4th (officiating 3rd) Grade, to officiate as Superintendent, 2nd Grade.

Mr. T. D. Jameson, Assistant Superintendent of Police, officiating Superintendent, 4th Grade, to officiate as Superintendent, 3rd Grade.

Mr. R. Redpath, Assistant Superintendent of Police, officiating Superintendent, 5th Grade, to officiate as Superintendent, 4th Grade.

Mr. W. J. Porter, Officiating Assistant Superintendent of Police, to officiate as Superintendent, 5th Grade.

Consequent on the departure on special duty to Zimmay of Captain Lowndes, Superintendent of Police, 3rd (officiating 1st) Grade, British Burmah, the following temporary promotions are made in the Police Department of that Province with effect from the 24th March 1871, viz.—

Major W. G Grove, Superintendent of Police, 3rd (officiating 2nd) Grade, to officiate as Superintendent, 1st Grade

Mr. G. D. Anderson, Superintendent of Police, 5th (officiating 3rd) Grade, to officiate as Superintendent, 2nd Grade.

Mr. T. W. Wood, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Officiating Superintendent, 4th Grade, to officiate as Superintendent, 3rd Grade.

Mr. M. McLeod, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Officiating Superintendent, 5th Grade, to officiate as Superintendent, 4th Grade.

Mr. J. F. F. Fforde, Officiating Assistant Superintendent of Police, to officiate as Superintendent, 5th Grade.

Lieutenant T. H. Holdich, R.E., Assistant Superintendent, Topographical Survey Department, has obtained two months' privilege leave of absence.

Captain Donald Macdonald, Deputy Superintendent of Revenue Survey, 3rd Grade, to officiate in the 2nd Grade, with effect from the 12th March last, vice Major Adrian Denys Vanrenen, promoted on that date to officiate in the 1st Grade.

Major G. C. Depree, Bengal Staff Corps, is re-appointed a Deputy Superintendent, 1st Grade, Topographical Survey Department, from the 8th December last.

Mr. T. W. H. Hughes, Assistant in the Geological Survey of India, has obtained fifteen months' leave of absence, on medical certificate.

The Reverend J. M. Thomson, M.A., Chaplain of the Church of Scotland, on the Bengal Establishment, to officiate as a Senior Chaplain during the absence on furlough of the Reverend R. Henderson, or until further orders. Mr. Thomson received charge on the 10th March 1871.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. D. MacDonald, Commandant of the Deolee Irregular Force, having forfeited his appointment by overstaying his leave, is re-appointed to the command of the Deolee Irregular Force from 16th April, the date on which he returned from furlough and assumed command.

Lieutenant J. H. L. Greenfield, Adjutant, Deolee Irregular Force, to officiate as 2nd in Command during the absence of Major C. H. Clay, or until further orders.

The Notification, under date December 9th, 1870, recognising the appointment of Mr. J. W. Linzee as Vice-Consul for the United States of America at Calcutta, is hereby cancelled.

The services of Captain R. T. Hare, Bengal Staff Corps, an Assistant Commissioner of the 2nd Class in the Commission of the Punjab, at present officiating as Deputy Commissioner of Montgomery, are placed at the disposal of the Military Department.

Captain C. J. Pearse, Madras Staff Corps, Deputy Superintendent of the Kadoor District, Nagar Division, Mysore, has obtained 30 days' subsidiary leave from 24th April 1871, to enable him to proceed to Madras with the view of obtaining a final medical certificate entitling to leave to Europe.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. W Stubbs, Deputy Commissioner of the 1st Class in the Hyderabad Assigned Districts, to be Commissioner of West Berar, during the absence on furlough of Mr. A. C. Lyall, or until further orders.

Captain H. C. A. Szczepanski, Assistant Commissioner, 1st Class, in the Berars, to officiate as Deputy Commissioner, 3rd Class, in the room of Captain J. G. Bell, who has obtained furlough to Europe on medical certificate with effect from 7th March 1871, or until further orders.

Captain D. W. Laughton, Assistant Commissioner of the 2nd Class, to officiate in the 1st Class in the room of Captain Szczepanski.

Mr. H. S. Nicholetts, Officiating Assistant Commissioner 3rd Class, to officiate in the 2nd Class in the room of Captain Laughton.

The services of Colonel W. H. Crichton, C.B., Deputy Commissioner of the 1st Class, in the Central Provinces, are re-placed at the disposal of the Military Department, owing to his having forfeited his appointment by overstaying his leave.

The following appointments and promotions are made in the Commission of the Central Provinces:—

Mr. W. B. Jones, Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces, to officiate as Commissioner of the Nerbudda Division in the room of Mr. W. M. Low, who has obtained furlough to Europe.

Mr. J. W. Neill, Assistant Secretary to the Chief Commissioner, to officiate as Secretary in the room of Mr. Jones.

Lieutenant-Colonel F. L. Magniac, Registrar General of Assurances, Central Provinces and Berars, and Judge of the Small Cause Court at Nagpore, to be Deputy Commissioner of the 1st Class in the room of Colonel W. H. Crichton, C.B., who has forfeited his appointment by overstaying his leave.

Captain A. Bloomfield, Assistant Commissioner of the 1st Class, and Officiating Deputy Commissioner, 4th Class, to be Deputy Commissioner of the 4th Class with effect from the 13th July 1870.

The promotion of Mr. A. N. Russell and Captain J. W. MacDougall, the former to the 1st Class and the latter to the 2nd Class of Assistant Commissioners, to have effect from the date of Captain Bloomfield's promotion, viz., the 13th July 1870.

Captain C. H. Plowden, Assistant Commissioner, 2nd Class, to be Assistant Commissioner, 1st Class, in the room of Captain Ducat, deceased, viz, from the 17th November 1870.

Captain J. A. Temple, Assistant Commissioner, 3rd Class, and Officiating Judge of the Small Cause Court, Jubbulpore, to be Assistant Commissioner of the 2nd Class in the room of Captain C. H. Plowden, promoted.

Captain H. J. Lingard, Assistant Commissioner of the 2nd Class, but officiating in the 1st Class, to officiate as Deputy Commissioner of the 4th Class in the room of Captain C. H. Grace, who has obtained leave on medical certificate to Europe.

The services of the officers named below are placed at the disposal of the Home Department for employment in the appointments specified opposite each name:

Captain W. Vertue, Assistant Commissioner of the 3rd Class in the Central Provinces, but officiating in the 2nd Class, for appointment as Officiating Cantonment Magistrate at Jubbulpore.

Mr. S. H. Hennessey, Extra Assistant Commissioner of the 3rd Class in the Central Provinces, for appointment to the temporary charge of the office of Registrar General of Assurances in the Central Provinces and the Berars.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. W. E. Gordon, Officiating Deputy Accountant General, Bombay, is allowed privilege leave for three months.

Mr. T. W. Biss is appointed to officiate as Deputy Accountant General, Bombay, and Baboo Shama Churn Dey as Assistant Comptroller General.

Mr. E. S. Byrne is appointed to officiate in the 2nd Class of the Financial Department, Mr. W. Donald in the 3rd Class, and Mr. W. Wells in the 4th Class.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The following promotions are made in the warrant grades of the Public Works Department, with effect from the 7th December 1870, consequent on the death of Deputy Commissary (Honorary Lieutenant) W. Smallman:

To be Deputy Commissary—Assistant Commissary (Honorary Lieutenant) Edward Gillis.

To be Assistant Commissary—Deputy Assistant Commissary (Honorary Ensign) Donald McLeod.

To be Deputy Assistant Commissary—Conductor Patrick Grice.

To be Conductor—Sub-Conductor, Honorary Ensign, P. Keay.

To be Sub-Conductor—Sergeant A Buchanan.

Lieutenant-Colonel C. O. Creagh Osborne, C.B., of the 1st Battalion, 6th Foot, to be Superintendent of Garrison Instructors, with effect from the 1st April 1871.

The services of Lieutenant J. B. Campbell, of the Bengal Staff Corps, Quarter Master, 37th Punjab Regiment of Native Infantry, are placed at the disposal of the Public Works Department.

Lieutenant Bradford Smith, of the 107th Foot, 2nd Wing Subaltern, 4th Regiment of Native Infantry, is admitted to the Bengal Staff Corps, with effect from the 18th January 1870, subject to the confirmation of the Secretary of State for India.

Captain Earnest Wells, of the General List, Cavalry, who was permitted to proceed to Europe on medical certificate for three months by G. G. O. No. 49, dated 18th January 1871, has been allowed furlough on medical certificate for twenty months, commencing from the 22nd January 1871.

The furlough to Europe on private affairs for two years granted to Lieutenant B. E. Gowan, of the Bengal Staff Corps, Adjutant, 4th Sikh Infantry, in G. G. O. No. 191, dated 28th February 1871, is cancelled at his own request.

The undermentioned officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on furlough on private affairs.

Captain Charles John Farquharson, of the Bengal Staff Corps, for two years, embarking at Bombay.

Lieutenant George John Skinner, of the Bengal Staff Corps, Adjutant, 3rd Regiment of Native Infantry, for two years.

Captain T. F. Bruce, of the Bengal Staff Corps, promoted to the rank of Captain from the 20th April 1871, is permitted to retain the appointment of Adjutant of the 6th Punjab Infantry, Punjab Frontier Force.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr. G. Rogers, Assistant Engineer, 3rd grade, Mysore, is permitted, at his own request to resign his appointment in the Public Works Department.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. Crofton, R.E., Chief Engineer, 2nd Class, and Joint Secretary to the Government of the Punjab in the Irrigation Branch, is appointed to officiate as a Chief Engineer of the 1st Class with effect from the 24th February 1871, vice Colonel F. R. Randall, R.E., appointed to officiate as Inspector General of Irrigation and Deputy Secretary to the Government of India.

Lieutenant-Colonel F. T. Haig, R.E., Officiating Chief Engineer and Joint Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Public Works Department, Irrigation Branch, is appointed to officiate as a Chief Engineer of the 2nd Class with effect from the above date.

The services of Mr. D. Kirwan, Executive Engineer, 3rd Grade, Punjab, are dispensed with from this date.

Captain W. Stenhouse, Deputy Conservator of Forests, 3rd Grade (and at present officiating as Conservator of Forests in Oudh), is promoted to the 2nd Grade of Deputy Conservators with effect from the 25th November 1870.

Mr. W. H. Oakley, Assistant Conservator of Forests in Bengal, is permitted to resign his appointment in the Forest Department.

Mr. E. Forrest, Sub-Assistant Conservator of Forests in Oudh, is appointed an Assistant Conservator of Forests, 3rd Grade, in Bengal, from this date, vice Mr. Oakley.

Mr. E. H. Down is appointed a Sub-Assistant Conservator of Forests in Oudh, on probation, with effect from the date of joining his appointment.

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—30TH MAY.

London...	Cotton	£3 0s. 0d.	p. ton.
	Cases	£3 0s. 0d.	"
	Seeds	£2 10s. 0d.	"
Liverpool	Iron Ships Cotton	£2 7s. 6d. to £2 10s. 0d.	"
	Wooden Ships "	£2 0s. 0d. to £2 7s. 6d.	"
	Myrabolams & Oil bdls	£1 5s. 0d.	"
	Seeds	£1 15s. 0d.	"
Havre.....	Cotton	£2 17s. 6d. to £3 0s. 0d.	
	Coffee		
Overland...Steamers		£3 0s. 0d. to £3 5s. 0d.	
Liverpool via Suez Canal		£2 10s. 0d. to £2 12s. 6d.	
China ..	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 8 per bale.	
	" Opium	Rs. 250 to 300 per chest	
	Sailing Ships	Rs. 6 per bale	
Calcutta ...Sail		Rs. 3 0 0 to 4 0 0 per ton	
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 16 and Calcutta Port charges	
Mauritius		8 annas to 10 p. bag nominal.	

DEPARTURE.

May	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
31	Tennyson	Hawkins	Liverpool.

The ship Oriental, Wyatt, to London via Bremen, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—
Steamer Sphinx, to Trieste, Genoa, &c.
Ship British India, to Havre.
Ship Winslow, to Havre via Kurrachee.

THE HOOGHLY.

ARRIVALS.

May		
27	Seer Juggernaikloo-Ismail	Masulipatam, May 15.
	Arracan Apear (s) Miller	Hongkong, May 9.
	Saint Magnus	Walker ..... Liverpool, Jan. 27.
	Saint Marnock	Crawford ..... Liverpool, Feb. 8.
	C lcutta	Morrison ..... Aden, April 29.
	Baroda	Talley ..... Liverpool, Feb. 24.

DEPARTURES.

May			
27	Scotia (s)	.....	.....
	Colombo	.....	.....
	Castle Avon	.....	.....

DAILY IMPORTS.—31ST MAY.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Neera (s), 15 cases tobacco, A Burjorjee & Co.

FROM LONDON.

Talbot, 150 cases hock, Ewart, Latham & Co.
Lord Canning, 29 cases claret, Payne & Co.
Conflict, 17 cases glassware, Merwanjee & Co; 1 cask crockery ware, F Jefferson; 63 cases oilmanstore and corn flour, &c, H Pestonjee Sons; 41 cases cologne, N Ardaseer & Sons; 82 casks beer, Alsen, Riebe & Co; 50 kegs shots and 12 cases gun-powder; 8 Vezra; 1 case wearing apparel and 1 case clocks, David Sassoon & Co; 2 boxes umbrellas, N Hormusjee; 10 cases soaps and 2 cases haberdashery, &c, The L A & A Co; 4 cases envelopes, &c, Volkart Brothers.

FROM GENOA.

India (s), 4 barrels claret, A Leeffre.

DAILY EXPORTS.—31ST MAY.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Macedon, 47 bales cotton, R Ramputrab; 42 bales cotton, S S Mohomed; 70 bales cotton, L Ockerda & Co.
Seafoam, 90 bales cotton, David Sassoon & Co.
City of Berlin, 60 bales cotton, J Sobhagchund; 500 bales cotton, Finlay, Muir & Co.
Louisa Fletcher, 121 bales cotton, C Poonumchund; 2 bales cotton, N Manockjee.
T E Lemon, 53 bales cotton, S Rawgojee.
Cavour, 300 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels & Co.
Sir John Mandeville, 60 bales wool, G H Fazul & Co.
Stornaway, 107 bales cotton, M Goculdass.
Baroda (s), 42 bales wool, H Nundram; 50 bales wool, C Furdumjee.
Elizabeth Fry, 50 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers.
Timash (s), 500 bags wheat, W Nicol & Co; 125 bales cotton, Greaves, Cotton & Co; 30 bales wool, J Woomashunker; 50 bales wool, G H Fazul & Co.
Sir Charles Napier, 1 cwt bones, Edward, Bates & Co.
Mary Stenhouse, 1,000 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers.
Morning Light, 33 bales cotton, C Ramjee.
Sydney Dacres, 50 bales cotton, B Canjee.

FOR LONDON.

Kingdom o'Fife, 150 bales hemp, D Merwanjee & Co.
Baroda (s), 23 cases bloodstones, O Bomanjee; 41 cases coffee, W Nicol & Co; 13 boxes tea, Sir Charles Forbes & Co; 131 bundles gurmara, H N Momed; 77 pieces E teeth, S Futtaybhoy.

FOR TRIESTE.

Baroda (s), 50 cases gum, C D Vacha & Co.
Sphinx (s), 70 cwts old iron and 350 bags coffee, A C Gunspert & Co; 300 bales cotton, Kunkler, Preiswerck & Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Baroda (s), 200 bales cotton, Kunkler, Preiswerck & Co; 100 bales cotton, Jules Siegfried & Co.

FOR BREMEN.

Index, 750 bales cotton, A Blaschcek & Co.

FOR SUEZ.

Baroda (s), 4 cases cardamons, A R Sheerazi.

FOR HAVRE.

Euterpe, 200 bales cotton, H D Freck & Co; 1,250 bales cotton, H Clasen & Co.
Rinaldo, 350 bales cotton, Jules Siegfried & Co.
Conflict, 50 bales cotton, Kunkler, Preswerck & Co; 300 bales cotton, S Tyabjee & Co.
Baroda (s), 4 bales cotton, 1 bag rapeseed and 8 cases coffee S Tyabjee & Co; 10 bales cotton, Jules Siegfried & Co.
British India, 1,000 bales cotton, Jules Siegfried & Co.

FOR VENICE.

Strathclyde (s), 653 bales cotton, Remington & Co.

FOR GENOA.

Baroda (s), 104 bags rapeseed, S Tyabjee & Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Anna Henderson, 25 bales white twist, J Hormusjee; 100 bales white twist, J Peerbhoy; 77 bales cotton, R Aliadinbhoy
Statesman (s), 24 bales cotton, F Amecjee; 419 bundles sharkfins and 6 bundles fishmaws, J Peerbhoy; 90 bales cotton, A Hadibhboy; 130 bales cotton, N J Ebram; 150 bales cotton, E D Sassoon.
Behar (s), 325 bales cotton, N Kessowjee & Co; 5 bales cotton, S Khetsey.

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Persian Gulf via Kurrachee	" 10	11 A.M.	
China	" 7	9 A.M.	10 A.M.
Australia	" 7	9 A.M.	10 A.M.
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DEATH.

WALTON—May 23rd, at Shiraz, Persia, of cholera, Henry Valentine Walton, Esq., Superintendent 3rd Division, Persian Telegraph Department.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

HOLLWAY—May 20th, at Calcutta, the wife of J. Hollway, Esq., Dowlutpore Concern, Tirhoot, of a daughter.
WOODFALL—May 22nd, at Nemgatan, the wife of Mr. J. Woodfall, G. S. I. Railway, of a daughter.

DEATH.

SHEPHERD—May 23rd, at Talamcottah, Paulina, infant daughter of F. S. Shepherd, Esq., Royal Engineers, aged 36 hours.

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The Bombay Gazette.

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 1871.

It is impossible for any one to read Mr. Robert Knight's new pamphlet—"The Land Revenue of India: Is it being Sacrificed or Not?"—without admiring once more the writer's extraordinary power of recording the results of severe statistical inquiries in picturesque and animated language. For our own part, we always enjoy a paper on finance by Mr. Knight as much as if it were the latest sensation novel. Possessed of the enviable gift of being able to believe in himself and his own opinions with the perfect faith of a fanatic, and having become so enthusiastic about figures that he deals with them more tenderly and sympathetically than if they were human beings, he actually glows with the white heat of intense passion when he is denouncing some imbecile who dares to disagree with him; and so furious is the rush of his vindictive eloquence, that the reader can hardly escape being carried away by the torrent. He himself candidly says, in the pamphlet before us, "We should explode if we did not let off the indignation which we feel at such proceedings;" and the whole article is really an explosion. The victim is an unfortunate gentleman of the name of Beyts, who superintends the Revenue Survey Department in Guzerat; and the crime he has committed is that of assessing a certain very fruitful talooka in Guzerat at a rate far below the amount of revenue which Mr. Knight considers it ought to pay to the State. Being flayed alive would be a delicate and pleasing operation to undergo in comparison with the tortures to which lack of zeal has exposed this miserable tax-collector at the hands of his fiery and remorseless critic. Joseph himself, who has the credit of having introduced into Egypt that system of making the land the property of the King which has ever since been the curse of the country, could not have shown a more holy wrath in chastising some delinquent official who had not been sufficiently merciless in collecting Pharaoh's land revenue.

Mr. Knight has no difficulty in showing that the Soopa talooka might have borne with ease a far heavier assessment than was fixed upon it three years ago by Mr. Beyts. The figures given in the pamphlet may, indeed, be extravagant, for Mr. Knight has taken the prices of produce that prevailed during the American war as the basis of his calculations of the rent land ought to pay for the next thirty years. It is more than probable that we have begun a new era, in which the range of prices will be considerably lower than those of the prosperous years 1861-66. The fall in the price of cotton alone will cause a decrease in the quantity of land devoted to cotton cultivation, and an increased production and consequent lowering of the prices of all other crops. Great care is required, therefore, in revising the revenue settlement, to avoid raising the rents to a pitch that would not have been excessive five or six years ago, but may in the course of the next thirty years become very burdensome to the occupiers of the land. However, even when all deductions are made, it is clear that in the re-assessment of the Soopa talooka a good deal of revenue has been needlessly sacrificed. "The district," says Mr. Knight, "is perhaps the richest in all India. The talook is densely peopled, 332 to the square mile; is full of wealth; is covered with a net-work of roads; has 20 miles of seaboard, and two navigable rivers; while the Baroda Railway runs through it, and important markets are immediately adjacent." Mr. Beyts himself admits that "Soopa, in comparison with other districts, is capable of bearing a higher average rate upon every description of soil;" but, although the land was paying the State Rs. 160 an acre fifty years ago—a rate which is still paid in adjoining villages belonging to the Guicowar—"our settlement officer decrees now that the rate shall be Rs 26 for thirty years to come." Evidently, the practice of making moderate and liberal assessments has in this special instance been carried to an absurd extreme; and the result is due to what must be regarded as the weak point in the revenue survey system of this Presidency. Sir Bartle Frere, when giving evidence before the Indian Finance Committee, claimed it as the peculiar excellence of this system that it takes no fixed proportion of the rent, but lets the amount of revenue to be paid for each holding be determined by the customs of the village or district. It is obvious that, to borrow Mr. Knight's words, this system "cannot be carried on by steam: a wise head is requisite for carrying it on." Too much is left by it to the individual discretion of settlement officers, and there is room left for the widest diversities of practice and for the introduction of such inequalities in the mode of levying the revenue as may be grossly unjust to some of the occupiers themselves as well as to the State. One cannot but think, that, as a Department must always be worked with average men, the safest plan would be to adopt a rule of taking in all cases a certain proportion of the rent, instead of giving licence to each officer to act in accordance with what he takes to be the custom of the country.

Coming, now, to the moral of the story, we are not surprised to find Mr. Knight deducing, from the special case of Soopa, an argument in favour of a general increase of the land tax throughout India. We all have our hobbies; and this is Mr. Knight's hobby. "The peace and well-being of the country," he proclaims, "require that the old traditional right of the State to a substantial share of the produce should be carefully fostered, while we are doing our best all over India to destroy its memory, and to impress the ryot with the belief that the land is exclusively his own." Mr. Knight would, therefore, refuse now to grant leases for a longer term than ten or twelve years; and he would make up any deficiency in the revenue of the country by adding something to the land tax instead of imposing any new taxes. Some of the reasons he gives for thinking a good heavy rent very salutary to the man who has to pay it are peculiar. He holds that the necessity of paying such a rent acts as a stimulus to agricultural industry, though he would not admit, we fancy, that an income-tax applies a very wholesome stimulus to commercial industry. Again, if a landholder is poor, he cannot live a life of sensual enjoyment. Here is a fine outburst of indignation—"We are at our wit's end for money, while the State rights in the soil are made over to men, too often sensual scoundrels, to whom the Commonwealth if it owes anything at all owes a tying up at the triangles." Morality, not necessity, should be called the tyrant's plea. Whenever we are robbed or beaten, we have always the consolation of being assured by our oppressors that it is done for our good. Mr. Knight's denunciation of the sensual scoundrels of Soopa may be justifiable; but to contend that a man's property ought to be taken away from him by the State unless he uses it rightly is to strike at the very foundations of private property. There are, possibly, sensual scoundrels in town as well as country; but the former are still, it seems, to be left in the enjoyment of their misused wealth. Indeed, we seem to have a faint remembrance that long ago Mr. Knight himself was virtuously indignant at the iniquitous conduct of the State in trying to resume the properties of Inamdars up-country, whose characters were not all above suspicion, and whose titles to their estates had sometimes been acquired in very queer ways. At that time there was no more fervent champion of the sacred rights of private proprietors of land than Mr. Knight; and not a word fell from his lips about the duty of the State to resume properties which no Government could legally alienate. Now, however, he excels Mr. John Strachey himself in eagerness to undo all the work of our revenue settlements by steadily increasing the special burdens on land. The great danger of the State now is that it will exasperate and create disaffection to our rule among the whole agricultural class by trying to bring them back, step by step, into their old condition of hopeless indebtedness. The important paper we quoted a few days ago from the North West Provinces Gazette proved how fallacious are the opinions put forward by Mr. Strachey and Mr George Campbell as to the possibility of screwing more revenue out of the cultivators of the soil without injury to agriculture, and called attention also to the heavy per-centage added to the existing assessments by means of the novel invention of cesses. "The State's right to a substantial share of the produce" may be undeniable; but £20,000,000 a-year seems to be a very substantial share to take from a class of men who for the most part are still deeply in debt. It will be time enough for us to talk of the rights of the State as regards the land when we have revived its "old traditional right" to a share of the wealth earned by prosperous merchants and tradesmen. At present, the land revenue is so far from being "sacrificed" that the constant tendency of our statesmen is to increase it by levying local cesses on the agricultural class, instead of distributing taxation fairly among all classes of the people.

THERE will be a meeting of the Poona Hunt at Ettulwarree on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next.

THE Governor General in Council has decided that the price to be paid by officers of field batteries for chargers selected from remounts for that branch of the service shall, until further orders, be Rs. 500.

As it is not generally known, we think it right to mention that persons can get vaccinated from the calf on Monday mornings at the Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy Hospital gratis. Many Europeans have been vaccinated there on the past two Mondays.

MESSRS. MORAN'S MARKET REPORT paints wonderful prospects for indigo this season, especially in Lower Bengal, Tirhoot, Chumparun, and Chuprah. The latest accounts of Indian tea are only moderately favourable—"the quality not having been very satisfactory thus far;" while the out-look of Indian silk is gloomy in the extreme.

COLONEL BRIGHT, C.B., having taken over command of the district, the command of the station of Saugor devolves on Colonel Radcliffe, of the Madras Cavalry, next senior officer. The "Pioneer" remarks—"This little sinecure brings in Rs. 250 a month to the fortunate

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THE INDIAN TRAVELLERS' GUIDE for June is now ready, and may be had at this office or at the different agencies.

KATTYWAR.—It is stated that in consequence of the recent heavy rain in the province of Kattywar great loss has been suffered by the cultivators.

LIBRARY AT MANDVEE BUNDER.—Through the exertions of some of the Bhattias and Bunniahs a library is shortly to be opened at Mandvee Bunder.

THE SHIP ORIENTAL, 737 tons, Captain W. H. Wyatt, will sail to-day for London, via Bremen, with a cargo of 4,000 bales of cotton, 578½ cwts. of linseed, and 240 cwts. of myrabollams.

THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE.—Mr. Connon, the Chief Magistrate of Police, who returned by the last mail, will not resume charge of his office till Monday next, as his leave does not expire till Sunday.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—A Coroner's inquest was held on Tuesday at Sonapore touching the death of Nanee, woman, who, in the opinion of the jury, had accidentally fallen downstairs, whereby her skull was fractured.

MAMLUTDARS.—Mr. Nundshunker Tooljashunker, first class subordinate magistrate and mamlutdar of Surat, has been transferred to Dhandooka, and Mr. Maneckla Venilal, mamlutdar of Nassick, has been appointed in his place.

A GRAIN DEALER SENT TO JAIL.—Mr. Nana Morojee yesterday sentenced one Ragoo Jadowjee, a dealer in grain, to a month's imprisonment, for being found in possession of a false measure of capacity, without satisfactory excuse.

ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE.—In the Girgaum Police Court yesterday, a seaman of the steam ship Baroda was charged with absenting himself without leave and without sufficient reason, and was sentenced to a fortnight's imprisonment.

BOMBAY MINT AND POST OFFICE.—We hear that a vast reduction is contemplated in the Bombay Mint and Post Office. Already a large number of employés in the Mint have received notice to the effect that their services will not be required after this month.

THE PERSIAN PARSEE RELIEF FUND.—We beg to acknowledge receipt of Rs. 5 from "R," as a contribution to the Persian Parsee Relief Fund, which we have handed to the committee. We shall be glad to receive and hand over to the committee any further contributions to this object.

DEATH UNDER PECULIAR CIRCUMSTANCES.—An adjourned inquest was held yesterday at the Coroner's office on the body of Shaik Dada Shaik Nuthoo, aged about eleven years. On the night of Sunday the boy was found lying on the ground at the fair on the Esplanade. He was choked and could not speak. Some water was given him to drink, but he could not swallow it and threw it out. He was removed to the Jamsetjee Hospital, where he died shortly after admission. Dr. Grey had examined the body, and on examining the wind-pipe he found a piece of betel-nut about the size of a hazel-nut impacted in it. It must have been introduced into the wind-pipe accidentally. Verdict—That the deceased died from asphyxia produced by the impaction of a piece of betel-nut in the wind-pipe.

ABDUCTION.—At the Fort Police Court yesterday, before the Acting Chief Magistrate, Rama Suttoo Chasker was charged with enticing away a married woman. Rama Luxmon said—"I am a cooly and reside at Dongree. One morning, about six months ago, I went on business, leaving my house in charge of my wife, and on returning home at about 12 o'clock I found my wife was not there. I searched for her but could not find her. About four or five days ago I happened to see her in the house of one Annajee Maistry. I asked her to come to my house, but she refused to come with me and said that one Rama Suttoo Chasker had enticed her. I charge Rama with enticing away my wife for the purpose of having illicit intercourse with her. My wife is about fifteen years of age. The woman Juna, whom I now see in Court, is my wife." There being no sufficient evidence to prove the charge the magistrate dismissed the complaint.

RUN OVER BY A RAILWAY WAGGON.—Dr. Hewlett held an inquest yesterday at the Jamsetjee Hospital concerning the death of Purushram Wittoo, a porter in the employ of the G. I. P. Railway Company. It appeared from the evidence of Henry Hunt, a guard in the employ of the company, that on Tuesday, about 4-30 P.M., he was superintending the shunting of some waggons from the up line to the down line at the Byculla station. At this time the engine was pushing back about nine waggons on to the goods train that was standing on the up line at the station. Just as these waggons met the end waggon of those standing at the station he heard a voice of pain call out, "Bhai, bhai." The guard looked under the two end waggons, and there he saw deceased lying on the rail, his thighs were across the rail, and were just in front of a wheel of a waggon. The train came to a stand at this moment as if the wheel had passed over him—it must have cut his two legs off. Deceased was sent to the hospital, where he died yesterday. The jury found that the deceased's death was caused by his having been accidentally run over by a wagon.

CAPTAIN MANDER, Executive Engineer at Aden, reports that Captain Pym's (R. N.) map of the coast and neighbouring region proves to be very incorrect. This unfavourable judgment is corroborated by Captain G. I. Steveus, commanding the Aden troop.—*Pioneer.*

TRAVELLING ALLOWANCES OF SMALL CAUSE COURT JUDGES.—The Governor-General in Council has ruled that the travelling allowances of Small Cause Court judges shall be as follows:—Where a judge holds courts at two or more places connected by railway, he is to be allowed the actual travelling expenses of himself and one servant. Where he has charge of two or more courts unconnected by railway, he is to receive Rs. 5 per diem for the time occupied in travelling to and fro.

SOME short time ago a discovery was made on the Jubbulpore line of a metallic oxide capable of being made into a first-class paint. We learn now that it has been adopted by the Great Indian Peninsula Railway for bridge work, &c.; by the East Indian Railway for locomotives, carriages, &c.; and by many other firms or companies for different purposes. Since the discovery mills have been erected and machinery started for the purpose of grinding and manufacturing it, on a scale sufficient to meet the more immediate demands: but owing to its extremely moderate cost, it is probable that it will be adopted in India generally, almost to the exclusion of expensive European paints. The natural colour is a rich chocolate or maroon; but mixed with other pigments it will produce shades from pale cream to bright red, and so on to a deep brown. Used as distemper, under the tasteful direction of Mr. Thomas, C.E., the church at Jubbulpore has been decorated with it in various tints with good results. Arrangements are being made, we believe, for establishing a depôt in Allahabad to supply the North-West and Punjab.—*Pioneer*, May 30.

FUND FOR THE PERSIAN PARSEES.

WE learn that Mr. Framjee Nusserwanjee Patell has contributed Rs. 1,000 to the fund for the Persian Parsees; Mr. Dinshaw Manockjee Patell Rs. 1,000; and Bai Peeroobace, daughter of the late Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, Rs. 1,050.

THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

THERE were in all 261 prisoners in the House of Correction on Monday. Of these 85 were under sentences from the High Court, 2 from the Court of Petty Sessions, 143 from the Magistrates of Police, and 31 from Military Courts Martial. Of the prisoners 139 were natives, and the rest were Europeans.

THE FAMINE IN PERSIA.

WE are requested to state that the managing committee of the "Fund for ameliorating the condition of the poor Zoroastrians residing in Persia" have called a meeting of the whole Parsee community to be held at "Albless Baug" at 4 P.M. on Saturday the 3rd proximo, for the purpose of taking measures for relieving the distress of famine among the Parsees in Persia, and that they have in anticipation of the fund to be raised thereby already remitted by telegram to their agent in Persia the sum of five thousand rupees for the purpose of affording immediate relief at Yezd and its neighbourhood, where the ravages of famine are very terrible. Mr. Cowasjee Eduljee Patell is honorary secretary of the fund.

FIJI seems to be a pleasant place for an editor, as in addition to the chance of being eaten by the natives, the general public seem to have a way of taking the law into their own hands. The editor of the *Fiji Times* complains of having been horsewhipped three times in one week, once by the Consul's secretary, once by a shipcaptain, and once by the post-master. This, he says, is getting too warm, and he has given notice that in future he will carry a loaded revolver.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

ON 9th June 1869 a committee was appointed by the Bombay Bench of Justices "to consider and report on the constitution of the Bench and its relations to the executive officers of the Municipality, and the relations of the Bench and its officers to Government," and on 30th April last Mr. Hamilton Maxwell, in a letter addressed to the Acting Clerk to the Justices, stated that Mr. John Connon, the chairman of the committee, had, on his departure for Europe, requested him to take charge of the proceedings. Mr. Maxwell stated that Mr. Connon had found the opinions of the members of the committee so diverse, that he considered the proper course to adopt would be to submit the written minutes of the members to the Bench; and as Mr. Maxwell agreed with him he sent them to the Clerk to the Justices. In the same letter Mr. Maxwell stated that the Draft Bill was not approved of by the Commissioner or the Health Officer, and as no one seemed to be responsible for it, he suggested that Mr. Crawford should be requested to draft a bill for the consideration of the Bench.

At the meeting of the Bench held on 26th April, the Justices resolved that the minutes of the members of the committee should be printed and circulated. This has now been done, and the following are the minutes of the several members:—

MR. HAMILTON MAXWELL'S MINUTE.

The examples of Municipal government in England should be conclusive evidence that a Council, say of 40 members, would be the most efficient form of government for Bombay.

The circumstances under which this country is now governed will not admit of this Council being elected by the tax-payers.

I would suggest that the Council should be composed of twenty European and twenty native Justices. Ten European and ten natives to be appointed by the Bench, and a like number of each to be appointed by Government.

That the Municipal Commissioner should be the President of the Council.

That the Council should be elected annually.

That the executive officers at the heads of departments should attend the meetings, but should not be allowed to vote.

That the Council be divided, as suggested by Mr. Ormiston, into Sub-Committees, who will take up the work of each department, and whose action will be subject to the approval of the Council. The Council to meet once a month for receiving the reports of the Sub-Committees at any time when emergent cases require it.

Ten members of the Sub-Committee to form a *quorum*, and the Municipal Commissioner to have a casting vote.

That the Controller should be under the orders of the Finance Committee, and that all payments shall be passed or approved of by the Committee; and that the Controller shall in no way be under the orders of the Municipal Commissioner or any of the executive officers.

That all contracts for work done shall be exposed to public tender, and when approved of by the Sub-Committees shall be finally passed by the Council.

That stores of all kinds required by the Municipality shall be under the control of the Committee appointed to carry out the management of this department.

That the wheel-tax and the tax on draught animals be extended so as to include all kinds of carriages or carts, and animals of every kind used for the conveyance of goods or passengers.

That weekly statements of accounts showing receipts and expenditure be published in the newspapers.

Bombay, 22nd March 1871.

MR. THOMAS ORMISTON'S MINUTE.

I see that I made a minute on this subject more than two years ago, and, having read it again, would only add that I think we are over-legislated here, and that care should be taken in the new Act to give as little annoyance as possible.

Of my own knowledge, the octroi is levied in a most vexatious manner, and experience shows that the views expressed in my minute of October 1868 are correct. I shall therefore oppose the continuance of these taxes.

The Bill is far too long; it contains 378 chapters and would fill at least 90 pages of foolscap. It is surely possible to make it shorter, and it is the business of the executive to do so.

January 30th, 1871.

The following is the Minute of T. Ormiston, Esquire, on the Bombay Municipal Bill, referred to in the above:—

I would observe at the outset that I consider the constitution of the Municipality faulty, the number of members is too large to give responsibility, and I think many don't reside in the presidency town, and cannot, therefore, take much interest in its management. I consider it would be an improvement to select a limited number, say 40, from the Bench; these might be called Common Councilmen. I do no consider that representation by popular election is suited to our position in this country. I therefore think they should be named annually by Government. A list of attendances at general and committee meetings should be laid before Government annually, to show who attended and who did not, to his duties, so that Government could judge who should be re-appointed.

In the case of members who resign or leave the town, it should be competent for the Council to elect others in their stead.

The Council should be decided into committees to advise the Commissioner. It appears to me that these should be formed for each of the following objects:—

1. Finance, to include the levy and collection of rates, the management of loans, and adjustment of salaries.
2. Water.
3. Police.
4. Drainage.
5. Markets.
6. Roads.
7. Sanitary.

The Commissioner should be appointment, as hereto-fore, by Government, but subject to the approval of the Bench, and, as at present, to dismissal on the request of a majority at a special meeting.

As the Commissioner is responsible for the executive, I would leave him to appoint all officers, but in the case of the Engineer, Health Officer, &c., with the approval of the Council.

The Controller should be appointed like the Commissioner, and not subject to dismissal by him.

Neither would I make the other superior officers subject to dismissal by the Commissioner without the approval of the Council. He should have power, however, to suspend them.

I think it would be sufficient if the superior officers were engaged on the footing of six months' notice on either side, subject to being summarily dismissed for misconduct.

The Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Council, and the Commissioner and Controller, should be *ex-officio* members of all committees, and there should be a Convener and Deputy Convener of each committee.

As a rule the Engineer and Health Officer should attend such committees as they are concerned with, but without votes.

There would be no objection to any councilman being a member of more than one committee.

These committees should meet on stated days, say every fortnight, and the Bench every two months or so. There is so much to do if the general meetings are only quarterly that the business is seldom completed, and even monthly meetings might be preferable.

In the event of a Committee and the Commissioner disagreeing, the matter should be decided by the Council

The proceedings of the Committee should not be final until approved by the Council, (and this would point to monthly meetings being desirable), but they should not be open to reversal where the Council had indicated a policy, or passed on works for execution.

I shall now name a few points which have occurred to me after reading the bill.

I voted at the last meeting in favour of the licence tax, to which if it does not go too low, I see no objection, at least I think it much less objectionable than octroi or transit dues. I say this, because I consider any obstruction to trade operates against its development, more because of the vexatious delays in making returns and passing goods, and in this country consequently, the infliction of "Dustoorees," than because of the actual duty itself. Following this out, I should not object to an additional *duty* being charged on any suitable commodity to be applied for the benefit of the municipality.

The masses are very poor, and, besides, are already reached by the house rate. I should relieve the poor of taxation as much as possible, and lay it on the rich who can best bear it.

I think additional taxes might properly be raised on the following, viz.:—

1. A public water rate on all property payable by owners.
2. A tax on dogs.
3. I would extend the tax on horses to those under 12 hands and I to all beasts of draught.
4. The shipping give a good deal of trouble to the police and take up a deal of the Magistate's time, I should therefore make it pay a police rate, but this should come out of the surplus revenue of the Harbour Board, and not be a separate charge on the shipping.
5. I would impose a succession duty on all real property in Bombay.
6. A tax on the net proceeds of all Fire Insurance Companies.
7. Government should pay house and other rates on its property. It has lately bought up a large portion of Colaba and the Apollo Bonded Warehouse, by which a serious loss is made to the Municipality.
8. And I would retain the licence tax with a modified schedule.

As to the water rate I should divide it into three classes:—

1. A public water rate, payable by occupiers for the high classed houses, and by owners for the low class.
2. A domestic rate, payable by occupiers where the water is led into the house or compound and is supplied by gravitation.
3. A high service domestic rate in those cases where the water is supplied by pumping. In this case it should be chargeable whether the occupier takes it or not, provided the main pass his gate.

I would take power to reclaim the flats also to build dwellings for the poor.

[Here follow nineteen printed pages of foolscap (small type) occupied by marginal notes by Mr. Ormiston on different chapters of the draft bill].

MR. ARDASHER FRAMJEE MOOS'S MINUTE.

1. It is now an acknowledged fact that the present constitution of the Bench and of the Municipality is faulty, and the Bench cannot exercise an efficient control over the Muncipal government owing to its numerous body.
2. A smaller number, say about 24 members of the Bench, appointed to co-operate and advise the Municipal Commissioner, would be able to perform their duties with greater efficiency than the whole body of the Bench put together.
3. The 24 (twenty-four) members so appointed to be denominated the Town Council of the Bombay Municipality.
4. The appointment of the members of the Town Council to be left to the Bench of Justices, who should meet in a body at the end of every third year to elect from among themselves the 24 (twenty-four) members of the Town Council.
5. I am humbly of opinion that at present no better and more qualified electors than the members of the Bench could be found to represent well the interest of the tax-payers; and that I humbly beg to differ from those who are of opinion that the present mass of tax-payers are properly qualified to send in their own representatives.
6. It is, however, very desirable that Government should increase the number of Justices, by bestowing the honour on such natives and Europeans who are qualified to represent the interest of the tax-payers, and who have not yet been honoured with the commission, thereby making the Corporation a fit representation of the mass of tax-payers.
7. That such members of the Bench who have time, ability, and the will to devote their attention to the management of the Municipal affairs, shall send in their names as candidates for election, to the Clerk of the Bench prior to election.
8. That the members of the Town Council be paid an allowance to be fixed by the Bench, and these members so elected be held responsible for the proper performance of the duties assigned to them.
9. That out of the 24 (twenty-four) members to be elected, one-third to be Europeans and two-thirds native members of the Bench.
10. That the Municipal Commissioner be the President of the Town Council, to be appointed by Government, and shall have a right to vote at the meeting of the Council.
11. That the Health Officer and the Executive Engineer shall attend at the meetings of the Town Council or of its Sub-Committees, representing their respective departments, but shall have no right to vote at such meetings.
12. That it shall be the first duty of the Town Council after its election, to meet and settle the sources of income and the municipal rates to be levied, subject to the confirmation of the Bench and of the Government.
13. That the Town Council shall then proceed to form from among themselves Sub-Committees, each Committee taking up such departmental work relating to municipal affairs, as the members may find themselves competent and qualified for the task. The Sub-Committee so formed shall make it their business to watch and keep the expenditure of each department always within its estimated income granted by the Bench, and on no occasion to exceed the income, without first obtaining a special sanction from the Bench.
14. That the chief aim of the Town Council and of the Sub-Committee shall be to assist and advise the Municipal Commissioner in the matter of expenditure, and on various municipal questions which may come before him, without interfering in the internal government of his office work, and generally to co-operate with him in conducting the duties of the municipal department with economy and efficiency. In case the Sub-Committee and the Municipal Commissioner differ on any subject, the Bench be referred to for finadecision.

Bombay, 25th January 1871.

MR. SORABJEE SHAPOORJEE'S MINUTE.

To ANDREW R. SCOBLE, Esq., J. P.

Bombay, 28th September 1869.

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 21st instant, I have the honour to state as follows:—

1st.—That, in my humble opinion, the Bench of Justices, as a body, is unsuited to discharge properly the municipal duties entrusted to it by Act II. of 1865.

2nd.—That the duties would be better performed by a more compact body, say, a Municipal Council of (12) twelve members, six natives and six Europeans, to be constituted as follows:—

Four (4) members to be elected by the rate-payers of Bombay; every person paying not less than (100) one hundred rupees per annum to the Municipal Fund in the shape of direct rates or taxes to be considered qualified as elector.

Four (4) members to be elected by the Bench of Justices from among their own body after the election by the rate-payers is known.

Four (4) members to be nominated by Government after both the above elections. This nomination to include a chairman of the Municipal Council.

The elections and nominations to take place once in every two years.

3rd.—The Municipal Council constituted as above should exercise all the present powers of the Bench of Justices as regards municipal matters. In fact the words "Municipal Council" should be substituted in all the Municipal Acts for "Justices" or the "Bench of Justices."

4th.—Every member of the Municipal Council must be paid a fee of (30) thirty rupees, for attending each meeting of the Council or of Committees of the Council. The Chairman of the Council to be paid double the amount of fees allowed to each member.

5th.—The Municipal Council should have a paid Secretary appointed and removeable by itself on a salary of 1,500 or 2,000 Rupees per month. The Secretary should devote his whole time in looking after the working of the municipality in every branch on behalf of the Municipal Council. He should attend every meeting of the Committees of the Council, and his supervision shall include the exercise of all the functions of Controller as required by the Muncipal Act. He should have a suitable department under him as Controller, but he shall not be the Accountant of the municipality. The Accountant's department shall be under a separate officer, as at present.

6th.—The appointments of the Municipal Commissioner, Executive Engineer, and Consultive Officer of Health should be made as hitherto by Government. I do not think that it is advisable to make any change in the powers at present exercised by these officers. They should not be members of the Municipal Council, but shall be bound to attend all meetings of the Council, and also when asked to do so, all meetings of the Committees of the Council.

By the above arrangements, the executive work of the Municipality will remain vested as hitherto in the Municipal Commissioner, but I believe that the work of supervision and control will be more effectively performed by the "Municipal Council," aided by a well paid Secretary, than can be expected from the Bench of Justices.

By the nomination of one-third of the members of the "Municipal Council," including the Chairman, by Government, we shall be able to make the responsibility of Government for the good management of the municipality more clear than at present.

As regards the election of members by the tax-payers, I shall be happy if they can be represented on a more extended scale than now proposed, but I think that at first it would be advisable to start the experiment with a limited constituency and thus guard against the risk of a failure.

MR. NANA MOROJEE'S MINUTE.

The present constitution of the Bench and of the Municipality is faulty, and does not secure an efficient management of the municipal affairs of the city.

The suggestions made by Mr. Sorabjee Shapoorjee Bengalli appear to be well adapted to meet the wants of the city. Considering the large population of Bombay, I would fix the number of members of the council at 15; 8 of whom should be natives and the others Europeans. The number of native inhabitants greatly exceeds that of Europeans, and the object of a plan of self-government would not really be attained, if the European element of the council, as in the present constitution of the Bench of Justices, is allowed to preponderate. Besides, if we get such a number as 8 of natives in the council, able and willing conscientiously to act and work for the good government of the city, they will not allow by their majority any measures brought for the consideration of the council, and which might tend to work beneficially towards one class of people, and to the prejudice of the other, to pass; and in this way exercise a salutary check on the council. It may be apprehended that the council will be wholly a native organ, and would not care much for the interests of their European fellow-subjects. But the probability of this is very remote, when it is borne in mind that natives are, as a general rule, backward in securing their own interests to the prejudice of the other section of the community.

The nomination of the members of the council should be left partly in the hands of the citizens and partly in that of Government. As Government have not much to trouble themselves about the management of the municipal affairs, I think the number of members appointed by them should be properly limited to 5; at all events it should not exceed the number of the representatives of the people. The other members should be elected by people possessing property and having in other respects some standing in the community. There should be some standard of qualification, such as the possession of property of so much value, or the receipt in the aggregate of such an income, to enable a person to be entitled to vote at such elections. This may be fixed upon a due consideration of how the best intelligence can be secured. The body of Justices of the Peace for the municipal government of the city should be abolished; and if any Justices are kept they should not have any greater power vested in them, than the exercise of the judicial functions at present exercised by them. A compact council, constituted as above, would be a far more efficient body than the present Bench of Justices, which has assumed, as Mr. Crawford observes, the character of a debating society. The members should be elected periodically, say at the interval of three years, so that it may enable the electors, on all occasions, to appoint such as really take an interest in, and work for, the benefit of the people generally.

[To-morrow we shall publish the minute of Mr. Vishvanath N. Mandlik and the views of Mr. Crawford on the constitution of the Bench, which will conclude the documents.]

THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS.

(REPORTS FOR THE FORTNIGHT ENDING 15TH MAY.)

POONA COLLECTORATE.—The fall of rain was considerable in the talookas of Mawul, Kheir, Poorundhur and Haveilly; and slight in the remaining talookas. The health both of men and cattle was good throughout the collectorate, with the exception of the Seeroor talooka, where in a few villages fever prevailed to a slight extent.

AHMEDNUGGUR COLLECTORATE.—Sowing operations had not yet commenced. Preparations were, however, being made for doing so when the season begins. The state of public health was reported to be good.

KULLADGHEE COLLECTORATE.—Rain fell more or less in almost all the talookas of the collectorate. The state of public health was good, with the exception of Shindgi talooka, where cattle disease prevailed.

CRIMINAL BREACH OF TRUST.

BOMANJEE SHAPOORJEE BILLIMORIA appeared in the Fort Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Showell, and laid the following information against one Allarukhia Hassum, a dyer, who was charged with criminal breach of trust:—

"I am in the employ of Mr. Merwanjee Framjee Panday, a merchant in Bombay, and reside in the Fort Hanuman Lane. I know one Allarukhia Hassum, a dyer. On the 4th April last I entrusted to him thirty-six pieces of silk cloths, of the value of Rs. 125, for the purpose of being washed. He has not returned the said cloths, and in consequence of information received by me I have reason to believe that he has either pledged or sold them. I charge him with criminal breach of trust, and pray that a warrant may be issued for his apprehension, and that he may be dealt with according to law."

The magistrate granted a warrant as prayed for.

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL REVENUE.

From Monday, 22nd May, to Saturday, 27th May 1871.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Wheel Tax	4,665	6	0
House Rate	7,433	0	0
Police Rate	2,737	14	4
Lighting do.	2,732	9	2
Water do.	11,983	8	1
Halalcore Cess	1,773	4	1
Market Fees	2,132	0	6
Fees thro' Police Commissioner, including Liquor Licences, &c.	152	8	0
Miscellaneous Fees	994	6	1
Fines and Penalties	167	0	0
Town Duties	9,096	1	11
Duty on Tobacco and Snuff	3,800	0	0
Total Rs.....	47,637	10	2

W. MAIDMENT,
Controller of Municipal Accounts.

COTTON EXPORTS FROM THE CENTRAL PROVINCES AND THE BERARS.

STATEMENT showing in detail the quantity of cotton exported from the stations of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway in the Central Provinces and the Berars, from the 1st October 1870 up to week ending 21st May 1871, as compared with the exports up to the same date in the season of 1869-70.

| Stations. | Total Exports up to 21st May 1870. | | |

not had time to read Lord Auckland's. She added that Lord Elphinstone's was an interesting letter, and that he was very young for so important a command. I smiled, and observed that youth was no disqualification for empire at all. Her Majesty laughed, and looked pleased. She remarked upon the conduct of Sir Peregrine Maitland, in refusing to allow the regimental bands to attend the Hindoo ceremonies. She agreed with me in thinking it imprudent, and that the zeal of some persons to propagate Christianity often defeated its own object. I observed that Sir Peregrine Maitland was what was called a 'serious' man. 'Yes,' replied her Majesty, 'and his wife, who is a sister of the Duke of Richmond, is serious also.' She told me she approved of Lord Elphinstone's caution in that respect, and desired me to tell him so; and she graciously acceded to my request to convey her thanks, on her accession to the Throne, to Lord Auckland for his general conduct." Soon after this interview, Mr. Hobhouse dined with the Queen at Windsor Castle. After dinner, "the Queen sat down to chess with the Queen of the Belgians. Her Majesty had never played before; Lord Melbourne told her how to move, and Lord Palmerston also assisted her. I looked on for some time without taking part in the game, and I might as well have abstained altogether, for when Melbourne and Palmerston gave up advising her Majesty, in order that I might succeed to them, I did not succeed better than my colleagues. I was very near winning the game when I lost it by an oversight, and by being very often asked by Her Majesty, 'What must I do?' There was also some little confusion created by the two queens on the board and the two Queens at the table. Her Majesty was not so discouraged by her defeat as to prevent her playing again the evening after this. Who played for the Queen I do not know; but her Majesty ran up to me laughing, and saying she had won. She asked me how she came to lose yesterday. I replied, 'Because your Majesty has such bad advisers;' on which she laughed heartily, and so did the Queen of the Belgians, who, by the way, spoke English well."

Mr. Hobhouse's sketches of Ministerial and Court life will be read with general interest and pleasure. They tell us much that is new and much that is fascinating. If the Ministerial secrets disclosed are not always creditable, the details about her Majesty will assuredly confirm the admiration with which she is regarded by her people.

LIFE IN MARS.

(Cornhill Magazine for May.)

All that we have learned respecting the charming planet Mars leads to the conclusion that it is well fitted to be the abode of life. We can trace, indeed, the progress of such changes as we may conceive that the inhabitants of Venus or of Mercury must recognize in the case of our own earth. The progress of summer and winter in the northern and southern halves of the planet, the effects due to the progress of the Martial day, from sunrise to sunset—nay, even hourly changes, corresponding to those which take place in our own skies, as clouds gather over our continents, or fall in rain, or are dissipated by solar heat: such signs as these that Mars is a world like ours can be recognized most clearly by all who care to study the planet with a telescope of adequate power.

As regards the atmosphere of Mars, by the way, the earliest telescopic observers fell into a somewhat strange mistake. For, noticing that stars seemed to disappear from view at some considerable distance from the planet, they assigned to the Martial atmosphere a depth of many hundreds of miles,—we care not to say how many. More careful observation, however, showed that the phenomenon upon which so much stress had been laid was merely optical. Sir J. South and other observers, carefully studying the planet with telescopes of modern construction, have been able to prove abundantly that the atmosphere of Mars has no such abnormal extension as Cassini and others of the earlier telescopists had imagined.

The early observations made on the polar snows of Mars were more trustworthy. Maraldi found that at each of two points nearly opposite to each other on the globe of the planet, a white spot could be recognized, whose light, indeed, was so brilliant as to far outshine that emitted by the remainder of the disc. The idea that these white spots correspond in any way to the polar snows on our own earth does not seem to have occurred to Maraldi. Yet he made observations which were well calculated to suggest the idea, for he noted that one of the spots had at a certain time diminished greatly in size. Instead, however, of ascribing this change to the progress of the Martial season, he was led to the strange conclusion that the white spot was undergoing a process of continuous decrease, and he even announced the date when, as he supposed, it would finally disappear.

No such disappearance took place, however. When Sir W. Herschel began his series of observations upon Mars, more than half a century later, the spots were still there. The energy of our great astronomer did not suffer these striking features to remain long unexamined. Searching, as was his wont, after terrestrial analogies—or, at least, analogies depending on known facts—he was quickly led to associate the white spots with our arctic regions. It would follow, of course, that in the summer months of either Martial hemisphere, the snow-cap would be reduced in size, while in the winter it would attain its greatest dimensions. Sir W. Herschel found this to be the case, and he was able to show that the changes which Maraldi had interpreted as suggesting the eventual disappearance of one of the bright spots, were due to the progress of the Martial summer. Precisely as in our summer months, those who voyage across the Atlantic may sail in far higher latitudes than they could safely venture to traverse in winter, so in Mars the polar ice and snow is limited within a far narrower region in summer than in winter.

But after all (it may be urged), to suppose that these two bright spots are formed in reality of ice and snow is rather venturesome. Might we not imagine that some other material than water is concerned in the observed changes? What reason have we for inferring that the same elements that we are familiar with exist out yonder in space?

The answer to these questions,—or rather, the answers, for we have to do with a whole series of facts, dovetailing in the most satisfactory manner into each other,—will be found full of interest.

We all know that Mars shines with a ruddy light. He is, indeed, far the ruddiest star in the heavens: Aldebaran and Antares are pale beside him. Now, in the telescope the surface of Mars does not appear wholly red. We have seen that at two opposite points his orb exhibits white spots. But, besides these regions, there are others which are not red. Dark spaces are seen, sometimes strangely complicated in figure, which present a well-marked tinge of greenish blue. Here, then, we have a feature which we should certainly expect to find if the polar spots are really snow-caps; for the existence of water in quantities sufficient to account for snow regions covering many thousand square miles of the surface of Mars would undoubtedly lead us to infer the existence of oceans, and these oceans might be expected to resemble our own oceans in their general tint. According to this view, the dark greenish-blue markings on Mars would come to be regarded as the Martial seas.

This is the case, then, we may note in passing that the seas of Mars cover a much smaller proportion of his surface than those of our own earth. The extent of our seas being to that of our continents about the proportion of 11 to 4: in Mars the land and sea surfaces would seem to be nearly equal in extent. The seas in Mars are also very singularly shaped. They run into long straits; many are bottle or flask shaped—that is, we see a somewhat rounded inland sea connected with what must be called the main ocean by a narrow inlet; and further it would seem as though oceanic communication must be far more complete in Mars (notwithstanding the relative smallness of his ocean surface) than on our own earth. One could travel by sea between all parts of Mars—with very few exceptions—the long inlets and the flask-shaped seas breaking up his land surface much more completely than the actual extent of water would lead us to infer. It may be supposed that on the other hand land communication is far more complete in the case of Mars than in that of our own earth. This is, indeed, the case; insomuch that such Martialists as object to sea travelling (and we can scarcely suppose seasickness to be a phenomenon peculiar to our own earth) may very readily avoid it, and yet not be debarred from visiting any portion of their miniature world, save one or two extensive islands. Even these are separated by such narrow seas from the neighbouring continents, that we may regard it as probable that the engineers of the Martial Brunels and Stephensons, to bridge over the intervening straits, and so to enable the advocates of land voyaging to visit these portions of their planet. This view is encouraged by the consideration that all engineering operations must be much more readily effected in Mars than in our own earth. For the force of gravity is so small at the surface of Mars that a mass which on the earth weighs a pound, would weigh on Mars but about six and a quarter ounces, so that in every way the work of the engineer, and of his ally the spadesman, would be lightened. A being shaped as men are, but fourteen feet high, would be as active as a man six feet high, and many times more powerful. On such a scale, then, might the Martial navvies be built. But that is not all. The soil in which they would work would weigh very much less, mass for mass, than that in which our terrestrial spademen labour. So that, between the far greater powers of Martial beings, and the far greater lightness of the materials they would have to deal with in constructing roads, canals, bridges, or the like, we may very reasonably conclude that the progress of such labours must be very much more rapid, and their scale very much more important, than in the case of our own earth.

But let us return to ocean, remembering that at present we have not proved that the dark greenish-blue regions we have called oceans, really consist of water.

It might seem hopeless to inquire whether this is the case. Unless the astronomer could visit Mars and sail upon the Martial seas, he could never learn—so at a first view one might fairly judge—whether the dark markings he chooses to call oceans are really so or not.

But he possesses an instrument which can answer even such a question as this. The spectroscope, the ally of the telescope—useless without the latter, but able to tell us much which the most powerful telescope could never reveal—has been called in to solve this special problem. It cannot, indeed, directly answer our question. It cannot so analyze the light from the greenish markings as to tell us the nature of the material which emits or reflects to us that peculiarly tinted light. But the astronomer and physicist is capable of reasoning as to certain effects which must necessarily follow if the planet of war have oceans and polar snow-caps, and which could not possibly appear if the markings we call oceans were not really so, nor the white spots at the Martial poles really snow-caps. Extensive seas in one part of the planet, and extensive snow regions in another, would imply in a manner there could be no mistaking, that the vapour of water is raised in large quantities from the Martial oceans to be transferred by Martial winds to polar regions, there to fall in snow-showers. It is this aqueous vapour in the Martial atmosphere that the spectroscope can inform us about. Our spectroscopists know quite well what the vapour of water is capable of showing in the rainbow-tinted streak which is called the spectrum. When white light is caused to shine through a sufficient quantity of the vapour of water, the rainbow-tinted streak forming the spectrum of white light, is seen to be crossed by certain dark lines, whose position and arrangement there is no mistaking. Now the light we get from Mars is reflected sunlight, but it is sunlight which has been subjected to more than reflection, since it has passed twice through the depths of the Martial atmosphere, first while passing to his surface, and secondly while leaving that surface on its voyage towards ourselves. If that double passage have carried it through the vapour of water, the spectroscope will certainly tell us of the fact.

Let us see how this problem was dealt with by our most skilful spectroscopist, Dr. Huggins, justly called the Herschel of the spectroscope. The following account is an epitome of his own narrative:—"On February 14 he examined Mars with a spectroscope attached to his powerful eight-inch refractor. The rainbow-coloured streak was crossed, near the orange part, by groups of lines agreeing in position with those seen in the solar spectrum when the sun is low down, and so shines through the vapour-laden lower strata of our atmosphere. To determine whether these lines belonged to the light from Mars or were caused by our own atmosphere, Dr. Huggins turned his spectroscope towards the moon, which was at the time near to the horizon than Mars, so that the lines belonging to our own atmosphere would be stronger in the moon's spectrum than in that of the planet. But the groups of lines referred to were not visible in the lunar spectrum. It remained clear, therefore, that they belonged to the atmosphere of Mars, and not to our own."

This observation removes all reasonable doubt as to the real character as well of the dark greenish-blue markings as of the white polar caps. We see that Mars certainly possesses seas resembling our own, and as certainly that he has his arctic regions, waxing and waning, as our own do, with the progress of the seasons. But, in fact, Dr. Huggins's observation proves much more than this. The aqueous vapour raised from the Martial seas can find its way to the Martial poles only along a certain course—that is, by traversing a Martial atmosphere. Mars certainly has an atmosphere, therefore, though whether the constitution of that atmosphere exactly resembles that of our own air is not so certainly known. On this point the spectroscope has given no positive information, yet it allows us to draw this negative inference—that, inasmuch as no new lines are seen in the spectrum of the planet, it would seem likely that no gases other than those existing in our own atmosphere are present in the atmosphere of Mars.

But we are naturally led to inquire whether the phenomena which our meteorologists have to deal with—clouds, fog, and mist, wind-storms and rain-storms—can be recognized, either directly or in their effects, when Mars is studied with the telescope. The answer is full of interest. We have been able to learn much respecting the meteorology of this distant world. In the first place, we see that at times the features of his globe—those well-recognized natchings which indicate the figure of oceans and continents—are hidden from view as if by clouds. A whitish light replaces the well-marked red colour of the continents or the equally well-marked green-blue tint of the oceans. But more. We can at times actually watch the gradual clearing up of the Martial skies, for we can see the whitish region of light gradually growing smaller and smaller, the features it had concealed coming gradually into view. On one occasion Mr. Lockyer was observing Mars with an excellent telescope, six inches in aperture, when he became aware that a change of this sort was in progress. A certain well known sea was partially concealed from view by a great cloud-mass spreading over many thousand square miles of the Martial surface. But as the hours passed, the clouds seemed to be melting away, whether by the sun's heat or because they had fallen in rain was, of course, a matter of interest. When Mr. Lockyer ceased observing for the evening—at about half-past eleven—a large proportion of the sea before concealed had come into view. But on the same night, the eagle-eyed Dawes, the prince of modern telescopists, as he has been called, was also studying the planet of war. He could find Sandstone constituted the main protection of her continents. But certainly must he be admitted, as a remarkable circumstance, that we can trace no signs of extensive forests in Mars, nor any such appearances as we should imagine that our prairies must present to telescopists in Venus or Mercury. One is almost invited to adopt the bizarre notion of that French astronomer who suggested that the vegetation on Mars is red instead of verdant—that in this distant and miniature world the poet may sing of spring, more truly than our terrestrial poets, that

She cometh blushing like a maid.

As respects the absence of forests, we may perhaps find a sufficient explanation in the fact that lofty trees would exist under somewhat unfavourable conditions in Mars; for gravity being so much less than on our own earth, the stability of objects having equal dimensions would be correspondingly reduced. On the other hand, the winds which blow in Mars are probably, as Professor Phillips has pointed out, exceedingly violent; so that, to quote a striking paper which appeared last year in the *Spectator* (in a review of a work by the present writer), "if currents of air in Mars are of more than usual violence, while the solidifying forces of friction which resists them is much smaller than here, it may be a reasonable inference that 'natural selection' has already weeded out the loftier growing trees, which would stand less chance in encounters with hurricanes than our own." The absence of prairies is not so easily explained, however; and the idea is in fact suggested that some of those regions which we hitherto have included among the Martial seas, are in reality regions richly covered with verdure. Nor are we wholly without evidence in favour of this view; for there is a certain very wide tract in Mars respecting which the late Mr. Dawes remarked to the present writer that he found himself greatly puzzled. "At times," he said, "I seem to see clear traces of seas there; but at other times I find no such traces." These regions have accordingly been regarded as extensive tracts of marsh land. But the idea seems at least worth considering that they may be forest regions or extensive prairies.

There must needs be rivers in Mars, since the clouds, which often cover whole continents, must pour down enormous quantities of rain, and this rain-fall must find a course for itself along the Martial valleys to the sea. Indeed we can have no doubt that Mars has been the scene of those volcanic disturbances to which our own mountains, hills, valleys, and ravines owe their origin. The very existence of continents and oceans implies an unevenness of surface which can only be explained as the effect of subterranean forces. Volcanoes must exist, then, in Mars; nor can his inhabitants be wholly safe from such earthquake throes as we experience. It may be conjectured, indeed, that such subterranean forces in Mars are not relatively far more intense than in our own Earth,—the materials of which the planet is formed being not only somewhat less massive in themselves, but also held down by a gravity much less effective.

It would seem, also, that the Martial oceans must be traversed by currents somewhat resembling those which traverse our own oceans. There is, indeed, a very marked difference between our seas and those of Mars. For apart from the circumstance that the terrestrial oceans cover a much greater proportion of the earth's surface, the Martial seas are scarcely traversed by appreciable tides. Mars has so much to sway his ocean waters, and though the sun has power over his seas to some slight extent, yet the tidal waves thus raised would be very unimportant, even though the seas of Mars were extensive enough for the generation of true tidal oscillations. For, in the first place, Mars is much farther from the sun, and the sun's action is correspondingly reduced—it is reduced in fact, on this account alone more than threefold. But further, Mars is much smaller than the earth, and the dimensions of our earth have much to do with the matter of the sun's tide-raising power. Every one knows how the explanation of the tides runs in our books of astronomy and geography. The sun is nearer to the water turned directly towards him than he is to the centre of the earth; he therefore draws that water away from the earth, or in other words raises a wave; but again, says the explanation, the sun is nearer to the earth's centre than to the water on the side turned away from him, and therefore he draws the earth away from that water, or a wave is raised on the further as well as on the nearer side of the earth. If the earth were smaller, the sun would not be so much nearer to the water turned towards him, nor so much farther from the water turned away from him—so that both waves would be reduced in dimensions. Applying this consideration to the case of Mars, whose orb is much smaller than the earth's, we see that any tidal wave raised by the sun in Martial seas must needs be of very small dimensions.

But the existence of ocean currents appears to depend very little on the presence of tidal waves. In the Mediterranean Sea, the Red Sea, and the Baltic Sea well-marked currents exist, although the tidal wave scarcely affects these seas. Sea-currents would indeed seem to be due to the effects of evaporation taking place extensively over certain portions of the sea surface; and we know that evaporation must proceed very freely in the case of the seas of Mars, since clouds form so marked a feature of his atmospheric economy. We may conclude, therefore, that his seas are traversed by currents, and further that most of those effects which our students of physical geography ascribe to ocean currents, take place also in the case of Mars.

Summing up the results here considered, we seem to recognize abundant reasons for regarding the ruddy planet which is now shining so conspicuously in our skies as a fit abode for living creatures. It would seem, indeed, unreasonable to doubt that that globe is habitable which presents so many analogies to our own, and which differs from our own in no circumstances that can be regarded as essential to the wants of living creatures.

A SCOTCH HERESY CASE.

At a meeting of the Free Synod of Angus and Mearns held on Apr. 25 at Dundee, the Synod took up a protest and appeal at the instance of Mr. John Robertson, Coupar-Angus, against a judgment of the Presbytery of Meigle, affirming certain decisions of the kirk-session of Coupar-Angus in regard to the charge of heresy preferred against Mr. Robertson. The minutes produced bore that at a meeting of the kirk-session there were laid on the table four publications, two entitled "The Finding of the Book" and "Protestantism *versus* Unquestioning Submission to authority—Biblical or Ecclesiastical," bearing to be the productions of John Robertson; one entitled "Lay Talks and Papers," published as a pamphlet; and one entitled "Sacred History as a Branch of Elementary Education," which bore in a manuscript inscription to have been translated and adapted from a Swiss publication by John Robertson. The session found that in the first-mentioned of these publications, entitled "The Finding of the Book," the Bible was characterised in the following language:—

"That there may be some among my readers whose minds are blinded by such a veil remaining for them as for the Jews unaken away in the reading of the Old Testament, so that they regard it as their duty to God to submit their reason to the authority of that book, and to believe that its legendary and miraculous stories—that its incongruous, inaccurate, and even contradictory histories, and that the idolatrous and superstitious rites and ceremonies of which it is made up from beginning to end, are all alike and each certainly and infallibly true than are its declarations that God is good to all men, righteous in all His ways and holy in all His works—feeling as if there could be no religious peace nor comfort for them unless by by faith be able to surmount the difficulties of reason and to believe that everything which that book says is true, as they believe its most indubitable verities; for as it is written that by faith the walls of Jericho fell down, so it is stated that by faith must all such intellectual difficulties be overcome, though to reason they may appear insurmountable as walls built up to heaven. It is my solemn conviction that this notion of Scriptural infallibility or inspiration is the most pernicious position, and that to those whose minds are blinded by any of its various modifications are excluded thereby from that liberating and enlightening influence which is again and again declared to be the most essential and distinguishing feature of spiritual Christianity. My chief purport and earnest desire is to show to such persons that the veil on which they look with so much veneration is utterly devoid of the genuine texture, the warp and woof of truth, which, when they persuade themselves that it infallibly presents to their view, even in those portions of it where their infallible vision can discern nothing but mystification, error, injustice, or sin; that its texture, as closely examined as possible, is found in many parts to consist of the most unreasonable and irreconcilable productions of human ignorance, error, and time-serving policy; and that it is, therefore, when viewed as a whole, notwithstanding the majesty, truth, and goodness of very many passages, entirely destitute of anything like that infallibility or supreme authority which it nowhere claims for itself, but which has been from ignorance or superstition, or both, erroneously ascribed to it, and by the assumption of which it seems to have established a false dominion over their minds, as if it were the Word of God. I hope, by an examination of the structure of the veil in the earliest stages of its development, to show that a belief in its infallibility originated in gross ignorance, was unfounded and false as any superstition to which the human mind has ever been in subjection. The evidence from the historical books of the Bible, which in the foregoing chapters has been collected and examined, tends, I trust, sufficiently to justify the assertion, which in my presentation of it, how utterly false and unworthy of an enlightened people is the superstition that the entire Bible is the holy, authoritative, infallible Word of God."

The session further found in all the four publications referred to, of which the foregoing sentences were specimens, matter so offensive and subversive of the authority of the Word of God, that they resolved to intimate to the said John Robertson that, unless he appeared at a meeting of the session and denied that he had any responsibility as the author of the two first-named publications which bore his name, or that he had withdrawn and cancelled the other two publications referred to, they would, without further process, declare him to be no longer a member of this congregation or of the Free Church. At a subsequent meeting, Mr. Robertson appeared, and claimed to be heard on the substance and form of the foregoing charge of "Friedensleier," composed and directed by Herr Reinecke, of Leipsic, into whose hands devolved the conduct of the whole instrumental music of the entertainment, in consequence of the absence through illness of Mr. Manns, of the Crystal Palace Concerts. After a short address from Herr Reinecke, which was followed by a prayer for an invocation, the whole audience, with orchestral accompaniment, joined in the glorious

Nun danket alle Gott.

Luther's *Te Deum*, in his own vernacular. To one listener at least the strains of solemn joy recalled an eventful memory. The Germans in the Turnhalle joined in the noble hymn with one accord: but in the nature of things their utterance could not be so full-voluned as that of a whole army. And it was by a whole army that the writer had last heard sung the "Nun danket alle Gott"—by the German host, by its bivouac fires, on the night of the victory of Sedan.

"Die Wacht am Rhein" formed the appropriate prelude to the first *Tableau vivant*—"The call to arms." Germania, seated under an oak, was distributing arms to the defenders of Germany. Representatives of each nationality clustered round her, displaying equal eagerness to clutch the weapons, as the chords of a stirring march from *Tannhäuser* rang in their ears. The curtain fell on this tableau, and we were left to imagine the warmth of fraternisation that ensued among the armed levies, our imagination stimulated by the chorus—and the fervour of their martial spirit, as symbolised by Körner's glorious "Ode to my sword"—verses that send the blood rushing through the veins, and night galvanise light into a dead man.

The second tableau, introduced by the stirring clarion of the Waldmann's "Kriegstrompete," was entitled "The Warriors' Farewell," and represented a German village with the soldiers, who were going on the war path, taking leave of their kith and kin. There was the smithy; but the fire was out, and the blacksmith arrayed in uniform, a veritable "Reitseke," was kissing Gretchen and the little ones, Uhlans were consoling sweethearts, fusiliers comforting aged mothers, dashing hussars bidding adieu to "the old folks at home"—all to the mournful strains of a slow march from that beautiful symphony, "The Power of Sound."

Not for a Peace Festival would the realism of the battlefield be decorous or appropriate; and the audience was distracted from the spiritual conjuring up of the bloody episodes in the war drama, first, by an address from Professor Max Müller, and then by a tableau emblematic of German disunion supplanted by triumphant German unity. With Uhland's poem, "Der alte Barbarossa," sung in chorus as prelude, the curtain rose on redbearded old Barbarossa, sleeping that long sleep of his which tradition has made to endure until the reconstitution of the German Empire, his ritter and pages around him. The old legend was not followed as to the beard growing through the table, or as to the croak of the ravens, but the old chief slumbered to music of Weber's symbolical of troubled gropings after light, liberty, and freedom. The curtain fell and rose again; this time on Barbarossa awake—wide-awake—grasping his sword and surrounded by alert knights and pages, while the fitting music to the tableau was Beethoven's overture to *Egmont*.

Now the strains of the march are heard again, but the wailing music of the marching away gives place to a burst of joyous and triumphant marching music, which must be, surely, the step to which victorious men are tramping home. So it turns out, for the tableau is the village over again, and there is a kissing and handshaking too, not however in dolorous leave-taking, but in gladsome greeting. After a short address from Mr. Ravenstein, the president of the Turnverein, there came the prelude to the last tableau of all, the grand consummation. The first four verses were sung of the beautiful song, "What is the German's Fatherland?" and the curtain rose with appropriate instrumental music, composed for the occasion by Herr Reinecke, on Germania receiving all the nationalities composing the great German Fatherland, as represented by inhabitants of each, dressed in distinctive national costume. All greet the great mother cordially save one. Alsace, whose hand Germania holds lovingly, averts her face, half in uncertainty half in aversion. The curtain falls and rises again, and still the face of Alsace is not towards Germania. It falls, and rises a third time, and lo! Alsace is nestled lovingly in the bosom of her great mother, the alienation is over and past, and, with a burst of gladness, the representatives of the German nationalities find their voices and burst into the verses which contain the reply to the question, What is the German Fatherland? An appropriate conclusion was found in the most glorious finale in the German musical repertoire—the last movement of Beethoven's Triumphal "Symphony in C soft."

Not to break the chain of the allegory we have transposed from its place the address of Professor Max Müller, of which the following are the words:—

"I believe that, like mine, the hearts of all I meet tonight are full of gratitude for what has been achieved; full of hope for what has still to be achieved; full of joy when we think of the brave soldiers who return home in glory; full of mourning when we remember those dear ones who will not return, and whose memory remains sacred to us for ever; full of regret in remembering those men who, since the beginning of our century, have toiled and suffered for the freedom of Germany, for who have looked forward prophetically to this day of victory, but have not lived to see it—Uhland, and Ruckbart, and Bunsen; full of joy and pride when looking to those heroes who by word and deed have saved the life of the Fatherland and liberty of Germany; full of buoyancy when we hear the names of our statesmen, our generals, our young 'Fritz,' our old hero-Emperor—but above all, full of love for our great, and beautiful, and glorious, and now at last united and free Fatherland. Yes, German brethren, Germany has never seen greater days than these. It is right that we in a foreign country, should know and mark this, that we should rejoice and be glad. Have we not have seen how Germany calls her children together to watch her Rhine border; how she distributes her armies; how the German army—that is, the German people—streams from village and town and house to protect liberty and honour, to fight for life and death. After a reference to the King of Saxony that all Germany stood in arms, the speaker said—How it sounded wherever there beat a German heart. Do you still recollect the feelings which filled our souls when the King telegraphed that all Germany stood in arms? Not with a light, but a heavy, heavy heart did we see the horrid tragedy of war unroll itself before our eyes. We did not hope for rapid victory; we were prepared for a long and toilsome war. We thought of 1806 and of 1813. What was it that gave us confidence in our army—our people—and that the just cause would prevail? Four things I may name. First, German valour—not that wild frenzy which grasps the knife at every provocation, and thinks it may excuse most fearful outrage on humanity by a newspaper despatch; that is not real German courage. No nation on earth has borne so much as the German, and only in the moment of impudence of a nation is threatened but its national free development is prevented; when the hearth is no longer safe; then the measure is full, patience becomes indignation, and indignation becomes death. Death in battle is better than life under such outrage. The people rise and the storm breaks. In the second place let me mention German diligence. We have been called a nation of schoolmasters. Where is there a more honourable abuse? Germany owes much of her martial success to the conscientious system of education. The German army is an educated and intelligent army. Through persevering industry the army has become what it is, so that the warp is closely and strongly woven, and the pattern of German unity is a work of patience. Thirdly, there is the German sense of duty, and in war perfect obedience. If a great work has to be achieved, the individual must subordinate himself to the whole, and negative the fatal principle of discipline in the German Army has been called in question. Some have been invented and refuted. People say, however, there is no smoke without fire. The proverb is a lie in itself. Translate is into German and its falsity becomes apparent. In German it would be "there is no lie without truth." If there were truth in such a proverb, the honour of no man or nation were safe. That there must be some black sheep in so vast an army we know, but history will do the German army the justice that in no war has there been less unnecessary cruelty and crime so severely punished. Never has real humanity achieved such triumphs as in the late war. We are prouder of such triumphs than of all the triumphs of German arms. In the fourth place comes German perseverance and dauntlessness even in misfortune, founded on a firm faith in Divine Providence. People have not hesitated to scoff even at this German trait in God as the Lord of Hosts. The German army sings before the battle with Körner, "Father, I call on Thee." It sings after the battle Luther's grand hymn, "Our God is a tower of strength." These four qualities are the safe warrants for our victory. They pervaded the whole army, but I may indicate for each a living representative. As representative of German courage, Bismarck. He has waited till the time did come; when it came, his heart did not quail. As representative of German diligence let me mention Moltke, the real indefatigable German school master, who can be silent in seven languages, yet whose last lecture the world will not soon forget. As representative of German conscientiousness let me mention the Crown Prince. No one hates war so much as he. No one has fulfilled his duty, often with a heavy heart, so faithfully. As representative of German perseverance I may cite our Emperor. His mail has clung to his purpose with persistency worthy of the Saxon. At the battle of Leipsic old as Hannibal when his father made him take the memorable oath; and what bitter days has he seen since! Yet, undismayed, he has kept to his own work in life—the raising and strengthening of Prussia, and till the disgrace of Jena was wiped out at Sedan, and the German nation was again look the world in the face without shame. With these unconquerable attributes we began the war, and Germany has for quality to thank the safe warrants for our victory. They pervaded the whole army, but I may indicate for each a living representative. As representative of German courage, Bismarck. 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